

## Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Intervention 1600 Ninth Street, Room 330, Sacramento, CA 95814



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## COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE Roles and Responsibilities

The ICC Chair appoints Community Representatives of the State Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Intervention (ICC), whereas the Governor appoints ICC members. Although Community Representatives are considered non-voting members, their participation enriches the overall outcome of the ICC's charge to provide advice and assistance to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS), the lead agency responsible for implementation and maintenance of the statewide system of early intervention services for children eligible under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), known as Early Start in California.

Community Representatives provide the increased participation of parents, providers and other interested parties. Community Representatives also provide ethnic diversity, wide geographical representation and community involvement. Community Representatives serve on the ICC committees based on their area of interest and/or expertise related to California's Early Start System and other services for children birth to three.

The DDS reimburses Community Representatives for their travel expenses to all authorized ICC committee and sub-committee meetings in accordance with the allowances and travel reimbursement rates approved by the State Department of Personnel Administration.

Community Representative responsibilities include:

- Regular attendance and participation on one of the four ICC Committees;
- Regular attendance at ICC meetings;
- Participation in additional Early Start related activities as personal schedule permits; and
- Submission of travel expense worksheets and claims for reimbursement of eligible ICC travel related expenses as soon as possible (submission of travel claim within 30 days from travel is recommended).

For additional information about the ICC, please see the Department of Developmental Services'

Early Start website at <a href="www.dds.ca.gov/EarlyStart">www.dds.ca.gov/EarlyStart</a>
or contact Patric Widmann at (916) 654-3722 or <a href="mailto:Pat.Widmann@dds.ca.gov">Pat.Widmann@dds.ca.gov</a>.